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## **NEW HAMPTON MAN INDICTED FOR PRODUCING CHILD PORN**

*Audio comments from U.S. Attorney Todd Graves are available in MP3 format,  
and may be downloaded from the district's Web site at  
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**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a New Hampton, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for producing child pornography.

**Richard P. Warner**, 52, of New Hampton, was charged in a seven-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury today in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Warner** used a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing child pornography between Sept. 16, 2002, and Oct. 4, 2002.

Counts Two through Four of the federal indictment allege that **Warner** transported child pornography in interstate commerce using his computer on Aug. 27, Aug. 28, and Aug. 29, 2002.

Count Five of the federal indictment alleges that **Warner** received child pornography by his computer on Aug. 27, 2002.

Count Six of the federal indictment alleges that **Warner** knowingly possessed one or more visual depictions of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct between Oct. 7, 2002, and Oct. 16, 2002.

Count Seven of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Warner** to forfeit any property used to commit the offenses alleged in Counts One through Six.

“As United States Attorney, it has been my top local priority to prosecute those who sexually exploit children over the Internet,” Graves said. “We will continue to aggressively target this growing and unspeakable crime.”

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Harrison County, Mo., Sheriff’s Department, the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Department of Homeland Security and the Missouri State Technical Assistance Team.

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